

## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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As a below-named inventor(s), I/we hereby declare that:

My/Our residence(s), post office address(es) and citizenship(s) is/are as stated below next to my/our name(s).

I/We believe I/we am/are the original inventor, first and sole (if only one name is listed below) or the original, first and joint inventors (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

## DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS

the specification of which: (check one)

☐ is attached hereto.☒ was filed on October 19, 2001, as Serial No. 09/982,093,

and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application as defined by 37 CFR § 1.56.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

## Prior Foreign Applications:

(Application No.)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	Priority Claimed
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We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<u>09/587,971</u>	<u>June 6, 2000</u>	<u>Pending</u>
(U.S. Application Serial No.)	(U.S. Filing Date)	(Status--patented, pending, abandoned)
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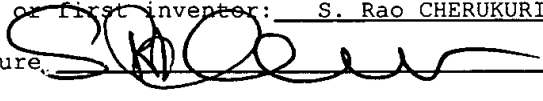
I/We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

60/308,568  
(Application Number(s))

July 31, 2001  
Filing Date

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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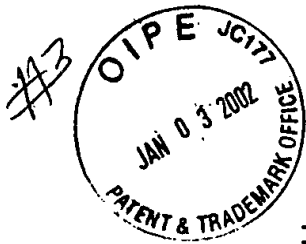
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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Serial No. 09/982,093

Filed: October 19, 2001

For: **DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS**

**ASSERTION THAT APPLICANT IS ENTITLED TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER**  
**37 CFR § 1.27**

Applicant asserts that it is entitled to small entity status  
as defined under 37 CFR § 1.27(a).

Respectfully submitted,

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